

In the
Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES
FOR PUTNAM COUNTY

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Case No. 67S00-1001-MS- 9

ORDER APPROVING AMENDED LOCAL RULE

The Judges of the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts request the approval of an amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendment requested by the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment, LR67-TR3-GEN-2 complies with the requirements of Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E), and, accordingly, should be approved and posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that amended Local Rule LR67-TR3-GEN-2 for Putnam County Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective retroactive to September 1, 2009. The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Matthew L. Headley, Putnam Circuit Court, One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, IN 46135-1503; the Hon. Charles D. Bridges, Putnam Superior Court, One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, IN 46135-1550; and to the Clerk of the Putnam Circuit Court. The Clerk is also directed to post this Order on the Court's website.

The Clerk of the Putnam Circuit Court is directed to enter this Order and attachment in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order and attachment for examination

by the Bar and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 6th day of January, 2010.

RT Shepard
Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana

LR67-TR3-GEN-2 Commencement of action/Assignment of Cases

Circuit Court

Civil

- all causes filed as a CC or a CT, and all causes filed as a PL wherein the demand is \$10,000.00 or more or when money damages are requested in an unspecified amount
- 50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions
- Mental Health Commitments
- Probate
- Guardianship
- Juvenile
- Department of Child Services
- Protective Orders if a Dissolution or Juvenile matter involving the same parties is pending

Criminal

- Murder
- Class A Felony
- Class B Felony
- Class C Felony, except those filed under Title 9 of the Indiana Code
- Criminal Miscellaneous

Superior Court –1.41

Civil

- all matters filed as a PL wherein the demand is under \$10,000.00
- 50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions
- Small claims
- Rent/eviction
- Protective Orders, except where a dissolution or Juvenile matter is pending in the Putnam Circuit Court
- Mortgage Foreclosure, Quiet Title, Boundary Line Disputes and other matters involving title to real estate
- Actions filed by Jail or Penal institution inmates (MI cases)

Criminal

- All infractions, ordinance violations, misdemeanors and 50% of Class D Felonies (except battery of a child with an accompanying CHINS action)
- Class C Felonies filed under Title 9
- Prior to filing a new criminal charge, the prosecutor's office is required to determine if the Defendant is on probation or already has a pending criminal case in one of the courts. If so, the prosecutor's office shall file the new case in the same court as the prior pending case/probation.